

STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION MAINE LAND USE REGULATION COMMISSION 22 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0022

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

ZONING PETITION ZP 713, EVERGREEN WIND POWER V, LLC T8 R3 NBPP AND T8 R4 NBPP, WASHINGTON COUNTY

PURPOSE: The Maine Land Use Regulation Commission will hold a public hearing on Zoning Petition ZP 713, for a commercial wind power facility proposed by Evergreen Wind Power V, to be located in T8 R3 NBPP and T8 R4 NBPP, Washington County. The proposal includes the rezoning of one parcel located in both T8 R3 NBPP and T8 R4 NBPP from General Management Subdistrict and Wetland Protection Subdistrict to Planned Development Subdistrict. The wind power facility would include a total of 38 turbines on Stetson Mountain, collector utility lines and substation, a maintenance and operations facility, and access roads. The purpose of the hearing is to allow the petitioner, interested groups, and the general public the opportunity to present testimony and evidence as to whether the proposal meets the statutory criteria for approval under provisions of 12 M.R.S.A., Sections 685-A(8-A) and 685-B(4), the Commission's criteria for approval under provisions of its <u>Land Use Districts and Standards</u>, Sections 10.08 and 10.24, and the rules for Planned Development Subdistricts, Section 10.21,G of its Land Use Districts and Standards.

TIME, PLACE and AGENDA: The hearing will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, August 7 and 8, 2007, at Lee Academy, 26 Winn Road, Lee, Maine 04455.

Tuesday, August 7, 2007

6:00 pm Opening Statement by Presiding Officer, Staff Statement and Administrative History,

Brief Presentation by Petitioner

Public Testimony

Closing Statement of Presiding Officer and Recess

Wednesday, August 8, 2007

8:30 am Opening Statement by Presiding Officer, Staff Statement and Administrative History

Petitioner's Summary of Proposal and Cross-examination

12:00 pm Recess for Lunch

1:00 pm Summaries of Direct Testimony and Cross-examination of Government Agencies and Intervenors

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: All interested persons are invited to attend and offer testimony that has a bearing on this proposal. The public is not required to submit written testimony before the hearing in order to testify. Members of the public may simply attend the hearing and give oral testimony on the evening of August 7. Additional written testimony may be submitted before the close of the record. Those submitting written testimony may be asked to summarize their prepared written statement for the purpose of allowing enough time for everyone to speak. Hard copies of written testimony should be made available to the Commission at the time of the hearing. The hearing record will remain open for a period of 10 days until Monday, August 20, 2007 (or as determined by the Presiding Officer) to allow interested persons to file written statements with the Commission, and for an additional 7 days until Monday, August 27, 2006 (or as determined by the Presiding Officer) to allow interested persons to file written statements in rebuttal of statements filed during the previous 10 day period. The record of the hearing will then close. All written comments should be sent to the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission, 22 State House Station, Augusta, Me 04333-0022. Comments may also be submitted by e-mail to marcia.spencer-famous@maine.gov.

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DISABILITIES: Persons with disabilities planning to attend the hearing are requested to inform the Commission in advance so that arrangements can be made for services they may require

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: A copy of the petition to rezone may be viewed by appointment at the Commission's main office at 18 Elkins Drive in Augusta (207-287-2631) (TTY 888-557-6690), at the Commission's regional office at 191 Maine Street in East Millinocket (207-746-2244), or at the Washington County Commissioners Office in Machias (207-255-3127); or may be viewed on-line at: http://www.maine.gov/doc/lurc/projects/evergreen.html Persons having questions may contact Marcia Spencer Famous at (207-287-4933) or at marcia.spencer-famous@maine.gov.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: The hearing will be held under authority of 12 M.R.S.A., Chapter 206-A, and will be conducted in accordance with the Commission's *Rules for the Conduct of Public Hearings*.

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